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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Communication mailed March 25, 2003 for the above-identified application.

Claims 1-23 are present in this application and have been subjected to restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121. The Examiner has alleged that the subject matter of the claims represents two distinct inventions.

In order to be fully responsive to the requirement for restriction, Applicant elects, with traverse, the subject matter of Group I, Claims 1-15 and 17-23. However, the requirement for restriction is respectfully traversed in that the subject matter of Claim 16 is related to the subject matter of the claims of Group I, and thus would not require an undue search burden.

Withdrawal of the requirement for restriction and allowance of all pending claims is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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